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In re application of:

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**TRANSMITTAL OF AMENDED APPEAL BRIEF**

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Enclosed herewith:

1. Copy of Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief; and
2. Amended Appeal Brief (37 C.F.R. § 41.37). The Summary of Claimed

Subject Matter portion of the Appeal Brief is amended to include additional references to the drawings and reference characters included within the drawings in order to concisely explain the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims. The Appellants believe these additional references are sufficient to concisely explain the subject matter of each independent claim as each of the independent claims are discussed in the Summary of Claimed Subject Matter section of the Appeal Brief with reference characters, specification and figure citations. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned if further explanation of the claimed subject matter is required.

No fees are believed to be necessary. If, however, any fees are required the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 02-3978.

Respectfully submitted,  
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